

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: Shafer, D.

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FOR: Methods for Detecting and Mapping  
Genes, Mutations and Variant  
Polynucleotide Sequences

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MS NON-FEE AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136**  
**AND CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR 1.8**

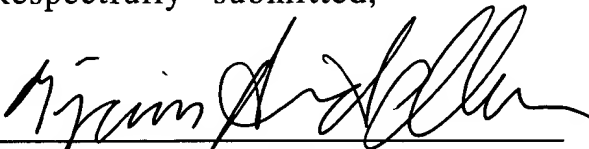
Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions that the period for response to the Restriction Requirement, mailed May 10, 2004, be extended for three (3) months to and including September 10, 2004. Please charge the \$475 extension fee to the credit card indicated on the attached form.

I hereby certify under 37 CFR 1.8 that this Petition and the following Response are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail with sufficient postage on the date indicated below and is addressed to MS NON-FEE AMENDMENT, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. Please return the enclosed postcard acknowledging receipt of this correspondence.

Respectfully submitted,

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